

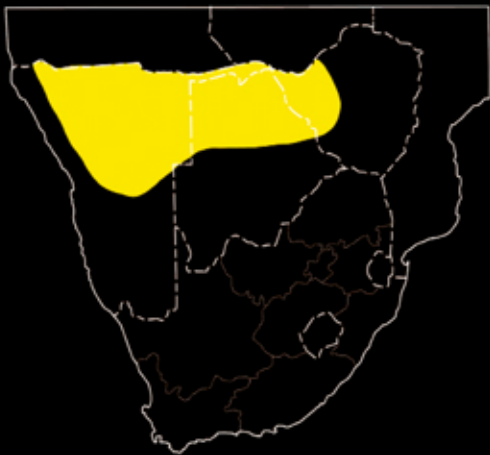


VERY DANGEROUS



Anchieta's Cobra (*Naja anchieta*)

Maximum Length:
2.5 m



Other names:

Anchieta se kobra

Anchieta's Cobra is very similar to the Snouted Cobra in both appearance and behaviour. It occurs in western Zimbabwe, northern Botswana and northern Namibia (and elsewhere further north). Individuals are orange-brown to purple-brown and banded varieties are also found. This snake has 17 midbody scale rows (the Snouted Cobra has 19) and the scales appear much larger than in the Snouted Cobra. Maximum size is around 2.5 m.

It seldom features in snakebite incidents but will spread an impressive hood if threatened. The venom of this snake is predominantly neurotoxic but may also cause blistering and tissue damage. Because of its size a bite from Anchieta's Cobra could result in alarming symptoms.



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